### WAIANAE COAST NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 24



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# <u>DRAFT</u> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2015 WAIANAE DISTRICT PARK – MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Chair Cedric Gates called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum was established with seven (7) Board members present.** Note- This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Calvin Endo, Cedric Gates, Ken Koike, Kawika Nahoopii, Marcus Paaluhi Sr., Sharlette Poe, and Kellen Smith

Board Members Absent: Julie-Ann Cachola and Glen Kila.

Vacancies: There were no vacancies at this time.

Guests: Captain Scot Suiso (Honolulu Fire Department); Ernest Lau (Board of Water Supply/Manager and Chief Engineer), Kauai G.O. Hilo (Board of Water Supply); Ian Santee (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative); Kathleen Davenport (Office of Councilmember Kymberly Pine); Carol Hickey (25th Infantry Division); Representative Jo Jordan; Senator Maile Shimabukuro; Hau'olilani Hiers (Representative Andria Tupola's Office); William Aila, Jr. (Governor David Ige's Representative); Corrina Molina, Anishalyn Ashley, Kailani Meheula, and Christy Mello (University of Hawaii West Oahu); Regina Keawe-Paahana; Laverna Joseph; DeMont R.D. Conner (Hoomana Pono); Rachel L. Kailianu; Sophie Flora; Rocky Naeole; Dandi Kealoha; Sheryl Lynch (Waianae Public Library); Junko laela; Larrilyn Giron; Alvina Lorenzo; Tom McDonald; Calvin Silva; Rochelle Kawelo; Roiti Vilmaire; Jack DeFeo; Joleen P. Sahl; Joseph Sahle; Evol Sahle; Haulia Sahl; Galend Ganiga; Justin Pequeño; Jan Makepa; Derek Robells; Shirley Landford; Marsha Soles; Jason Borge; Twinkle Borge; Lissa Tapaoan; Lokelani Chung-Lono; Imagulata Enikia; Magdalena Bossy; Sherly Uruman; Theresa Sale; Moki Hokoana; Lei Leihe; Melva Aila; Margaret Bukell; Boysie Aweau; Kim Kamealoha; Moke Kamealoha III; James Manakysi; Shima Gonzalez; Johnnie-Mae L. Perry: Bryson Lang: Christian Long: Michele Long: Gary Quisino: Kimo Morcellino: Connie Hokoane; Victor Flint (NAVFAC); Melvin B. Cansibog; Tulie Toa; Ed Burke; Ervin Gilman; Johanne and Lynn Mitchell; Kapua Keliikoa-Kama; Georgiana Navarro and John DeSoto (Makaha Hawaiian Civic Club); Cynthia K.L. Rezentes, Karen Awana, and Richard Landford (Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36); Relley Araceley (Neighborhood Commission Office); and 20 other individuals.

Pule: Endo lead the pule.

Chair Gates called a recess at 7:02 p.m.

Chair Gates reconvened the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS**

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): No representative was present and no report was provided.

<u>Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)</u>: Captain Scot Suiso reported the following:

- November 2015 Statistics: There was one (1) structure fire, two (2) wild land fires, three (3) nuisance fires, zero (0) cooking fires, 16 activated alarms with no fire, 168 medical emergencies, one (1) motor vehicle collision with a pedestrian, five (5) motor vehicle crashes/collisions, one (1) mountain rescue, and one (1) hazardous material incident for a total of 198 calls.
- <u>Safety Tip</u>: Dried Christmas trees, wreaths, and other decorations are highly flammable. Remove them as soon possible and consider recycling at green waste centers. Leave fireworks to the professionals. Law states that children under 18 shall not possess fireworks. Please call 911 for safe disposal of fireworks.

### Board of Water Supply (BWS): Kauai G.O. Hilo reported the following:

- Main Breaks: There was an 8-inch main break at 85-171 McArthur Street on Saturday, November 7, 2015.
   There was a 12-inch main break at 85-1652 Haleahi Road on Friday, November 13, 2015. There was an 8-inch main break at 84-072 Makau Street on Thursday, November 26, 2015.
- BWS Christmas Decorations: Trees decorated by BWS will be on display at BWS headquarters as well as

- at Honolulu Hale during the month of December. A decorated BWS truck will be part of the Honolulu City Lights parade on Saturday, December 5, 2015 as well as the Kapolei City Lights parade on Saturday, December 12, 2015.
- Red Hill Fuel Leak: Manager Ernest Lau provided a brief update on the final Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) with the U.S. Navy. Meetings are now being held to discuss the scope of work that will be done. BWS has been asked to sign a non-disclosure agreement, but will review this closely before moving forward. BWS is in the process of developing test wells in the Halawa Valley area to monitor the groundwater. BWS has not found any traces of petroleum in any current tests.
- Contact Information: Concerned residents can contact Lau at 748-3061 or email at elau@hbws.org.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: <u>Non-Disclosure Agreement</u>: A resident noted disapproval with BWS signing a confidentiality agreement.

<u>U.S. Army 25th Infantry Division</u>: Major Carol Hickey distributed a handout and reported the following:

- <u>Training Schedule</u>: Army training will be held from Tuesday, December 1, 2015 to Monday, December 7, 2015 and will include mortar, artillery, and demolitions training in the Schofield area. To report concerns related to noise or training, please call U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii noise concern line at 656-3487 or email <u>usaghi.comrel@gmail.com</u>
- Makua Cultural Tours: The next tour will be held on Sunday, December 6, 2015 and another will be held on Saturday, December 19, 2015. Monthly Malama Makua Access dates and Dr. Dodge's contact information are available at www.wsshawaii.com.
- <u>Pearl Harbor Commemoration</u>: The 25th Infantry Division is hosting a Pearl Harbor Commemoration of Monday, December 7, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.
- <u>Harvey House</u>: The property is currently being used for small group recreation and lodging at Pokai Bay. The lease is automatically renewed annually with the State of Hawaii.
- <u>Makua Valley Update</u>: A copy of the lease has been provided to Koike. The Republic of Hawaii ceded significant amounts of the land to the U.S. Army and the rest was bought from private landowners.
- Military Traffic: The Navy closed Kolekole Pass due to safety concerns. No training is scheduled at Makua Valley until the end of January 2016 and most training will be aviation training. The garrison agreed to travel on Farrington Highway during nighttime hours or low-traffic times to help alleviate congestion.

<u>Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative</u>: Deputy Director of the Honolulu Emergency Services Department (HESD), lan Santee, distributed the November 2015 City News and reported the following:

- Modular Housing Project: Deputy Santee clarified that Director Nakata stated "other transactions (not communities) may be governed by a confidentiality clause and therefore I could not speak about those transactions at that time."
- <u>Farrington Highway</u>: The highway falls under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation (HDOT) from Maili to Nanakuli.
- Attractive Nuisance Doctrine: Deputy Santee is still waiting on a response from the Corporate Counsel.
- Policy on Edible Plants in City Parks: Edible plants can be planted only at Community Gardens. The
  Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) does not permit planting of edible trees and plants within
  parks. In the past, DPR has run into problems of who "owns" the fruit. DPR rules and regulations may be
  found at: http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/dpr/rules/Rules Community Gardens.pdf.
- Community Gardens: DPR's Division of Urban Forestry (DUF) oversees the Community Gardens program. Staff does not recommend or encourage the planting of apple banana trees due to current problems of issues between "neighboring" plots. The other issue is the cost factor; apple banana trees and taro require increased water usage. For the development of a new community garden, suitable land of approximately 10,000 square feet would accommodate 75 plots. An access road must be developed and must meet American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The cost would be determined by the length of the road, topography, and materials used. Other costs include but are not limited to surveying, clearing and grading the land, landscape architect services for the preparation of construction documents, bidding services, construction management and inspections, installation of infrastructure (water source, water meter, irrigation system, fencing, pathways, signage, etc.) Currently, the Honolulu Botanical Gardens of the Division of Urban Forestry in DPR manages 11 community gardens located throughout the island. Due to current budgetary constraints, DPR is unable to construct and/or manage any additional sites at this time.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Modular Housing: Chair Gates asked Deputy Santee to repeat Director Nakata's statement. Chair Gates

- asked for an update on the modular housing project. Deputy Santee will follow up.
- 2. <u>Neighborhood Board Banner Placement</u>: A resident asked if the Neighborhood Board banner could be hung by the wastewater treatment facility. Deputy Santee will follow up.
- 3. <u>Homelessness Press Conference</u>: Resident DeMont R.D. Conner voiced displeasure with a press conference held by Mayor Kirk Caldwell at the Waianae Boat Harbor (WBH). Conner suggested communications regarding the harbor be directed to Twinkle Borge.
- 4. <u>Affordable Housing</u>: Resident Jack DeFeo asked for an update on affordable housing. Deputy Santee will follow up.
- 5. <u>Community Gardens</u>: Resident James Pakele asked for clarification on the City's community gardens program. Deputy Santee responded that planting edible plants/trees in city parks is not allowed. Chair Gates clarified there are no current community gardens in the Waianae area and Santee reiterated that due to cost factors DPR is unable to construct and/or manage additional sites at this time. Pakele voiced his displeasure with the absence of a community garden in Waianae. Deputy Santee will follow up.

## Councilmember Kymberly Pine: Kathleen Davenport provided a newsletter and reported the following:

- Resolution 15-289: The resolution passed and will restore the name of Nanakuli Beach Park to Kalanianaole Beach Park.
- Public Park Renovations: All park comfort stations are being re-painted and renovated. The Maili Beach
  Park play apparatus has been refurbished and comfort stations 1, 2, and 3 are scheduled for renovations
  soon. The Waianae District Park play apparatus and comfort stations have been recently refurbished and
  other park renovations are out for bid.
- <u>Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)</u>: The Board is urged to submit park-related CIP proposals to Councilmember Pine's office by the end of December 2015 in preparation for the 2016 City budget cycle.

# Questions comments, and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Play Apparatus Cover</u>: Endo suggested installing sun covers for Waianae park play grounds. Davenport suggested the Board place a request to Councilmember Pine's office.
- 2. <u>Beach Clean-Up</u>: Resident Georgiana Navarro asked about the possibility of cutting the hau tree by the bathrooms at Makaha Beach/Lahilahi Beach. Davenport noted a request for investigation will be put to the City regarding the issue. Resident John DeSoto requested something be done to provide safer accessibility for residents to Lahilahi beach. DeFeo noted disagreement to cutting the hau tree. DeSoto and Navarro clarified that the request is to trim the tree so that the area is more open and visible because currently there is a problem with trash and discarded drug paraphernalia.

Seeing no objections, Chair Gates took the agenda out of order to item 5.3.D.

# **BOARD BUSINESS**

### Board Committees and Membership:

- <u>Housing Committee</u>: Paaluhi read a report submitted by Housing Committee Chair Julie-Ann Cachola. Paaluhi reported the following:
  - First Housing Committee Meeting: The first meeting will be held Thursday, December 3, 2015 at Waianae District Park at 7:00 p.m. Residents interested in serving on the committee are urged to attend.
  - Modular Housing Meeting: Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland hosted a meeting on Thursday, November 5, 2015 regarding Mayor Caldwell's proposed modular housing project. Chair Gates, Cachola, and Koike attended the meeting representing the Waianae Neighborhood Board. The Board members present reported that a resolution was passed by the Waianae Neighborhood Board which opposed the projected location of the modular housing project due to multiple factors such as constant flooding and its location within the tsunami evacuation zone. The one (1) acre lot under consideration would cost the City \$300,000 and has been on the market for 15 months. The City is required to spend nearly \$39 million of CIP funding before July 2016 or the funding will be lost. To spend the money the City is required to have "site control" and due to this stipulation the City is attempting to buy the lot by November 2015. In the report, Cachola noted that emphasis be placed on developing the outsides of the livable "boxes" as residents of the modular housing will likely spend more time out of the living space then in it. Cachola also noted the Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) has 1,100 acres on the Wai'anae Coast, Ho'omau Ke Ola and Ka'ala Farm were recently leased for 1,200 acres on the left side of Wai'anae Valley, and other areas have ample space to design a workable, livable modular housing community. Cachola suggests the City put the \$300,000 directly into the design and development of a well-

- designed modular housing project. Paaluhi noted Mayor Caldwell would have liked to have the support of the Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board, but the concerns about the site had not been addressed and the Board members held firm to the unanimous decision to not support the project at the proposed location.
- <u>Pu'u Honua o Waianae Village Site Visit</u>: In the report Koike introduced Cachola to Twinkle Borge and Loke Chung-Lono and the Board members spent a day with Pu'u Honua o Waianae Village. In the report, Cachola noted Borge and Chung-Lono feel the new modular housing project will most likely be filled by families other than those of Pu'u Honua o Waianae Village.

#### Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Continued Dialogue</u>: Koike thanked Paaluhi for reading the report and commended the Waianae community as a whole for their commitment to critical discourse and aloha.
- 2. Nanakuli Neighborhood Board Approval of Modular Housing: Endo asked and Paaluhi clarified that certain members of the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36 approved of the modular housing proposal and not the Board as a whole. Cynthia Rezentes, Chair for Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36, clarified that some member of the Nanakuli-Maili Board support the concept of modular housing. Rezentes noted that a legislative report was generated out of the community with input from service providers, community leaders, and homeless individuals regarding a vision to assist against homelessness from the 2010-2011 timeframe. Rezentes urged the Waianae Neighborhood Board to keep the options of modular housing open, absent the current proposed location. Rezentes noted discussions regarding homelessness include the entire Waianae coast and not WBH alone.
- 3. Representing the People: Conner commended Cachola for the report and noted that the Board serves as direct representation of the people to elected officials and other government entities.
- 4. <u>Quick Fixes</u>: Resident Jan Makepa noted the WBH village is in need of water, bathrooms, and trash pickup services. Makepa requested WBH be designated a safe zone.
- 5. <u>Low-income Housing</u>: DeFeo noted displeasure with the City's inability to provide the requested information regarding affordable housing.
- 6. <u>Motion for a Safe Zone</u>: A resident commented that "homeless sweeps" should no longer be implemented. The resident urged the Board to make a motion to consider the WBH Village a safe zone.

Chair Gates returned the agenda to order.

## **BOARD MEMBER MEETING ATTENDANCE:**

- <u>Homelessness Emporium</u>: Paaluhi reported the attendance of himself, Koike, and Chair Gates at a homelessness emporium held on Thursday, November 19, 2015.
- <u>Kamehameha Schools</u>: Chair Gates reported the attendance of himself and Poe at a meeting regarding riots that occurred between Waianae and Kapolei. Chair Gates noted a report by the principal of Waianae High School regarding the cause of the riots.

Paaluhi left the meeting at 8:00 p.m. There were six (6) member present.

## **BOARD BUSINESS:**

<u>Approval of Tuesday, September 1 Regular Meeting Minutes</u>: **The minutes were accepted as published by UNANIMOUS CONSENT,** 6-0-0 **(Aye:** Endo, Koike, Nahoopii, Poe, Smith, and Gates**).** 

Treasurer's Report: Endo reported a remaining balance of \$249.35. The report was filed.

### Board Committees and Membership:

- Education Committee: Endo announced that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at Waianae High School at 4:00 p.m.
- Parks, Community and Customer Service Committee: Koike reported the next meeting will be held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at Waianae District Park at 7:00 p.m. Koike noted an ongoing issue between fishermen and the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) regarding park curfews. Koike announced that a group of concerned individuals are attempting to initiate a support group for Pokai Bay and all residents are encouraged to volunteer.

# Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. <u>Gym Repair</u>: Resident Melvin Cansibog commented the Waianae District Park gym needs repair and that the second floor has been neglected.

- 2. <u>Supporting the Homeless</u>: A group of University of Hawaii West Oahu students spoke in support of preserving the WBH land and promoting Hawaiian sustainability projects for the area.
- Hawaiian Affairs, Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (HABEDT): Nahoopii announced HABEDT is a merger between the Hawaiian Affairs committee and the Economic Development committee. Nahoopii reported the following:
  - Next Meeting: The next HABEDT meeting will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Kamaile Academy Public Charter School library.
  - Continued Leadership of Twinkle Borge and Loke Lono: Nahoopii moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 24 support the on-going leadership of Twinkle Borge and Loke Lono for the Wai'anae Boat Harbor Village.

Discussion followed: Chair Gates noted the motion must be directed towards a government agency and that the motion needed to be re-stated. Nahoopii clarified that the committee is seeking the full Board's support.

Chair Gates called a recess at 8:25 p.m.

Chair Gates reconvened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Nahoopii withdrew the original motion.

Nahoopii moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 24 supports Twinkle Borge and Loke Lono as the community leaders the State/City should speak with for the Wai'anae Harbor homeless encampment

Discussion followed: Poe requested the discussion be moved to the Housing committee. Nahoopii commented there is no objection from the HABEDT committee. Nahoopii clarified the motion is intended to be starting-point for future discussion. Resident Alice Greenwood noted support for the motion. Resident Loke Lono thanked the Board for considering the motion. Lono noted that under the leadership of Lono and Twinkle Borge eight (8) families have currently been moved into permanent housing. Lono noted the encampment at WBH is a safe place for homeless and there is no need for recognition, but the people would like to be left alone. Chair Gates clarified the previous recess and change in verbiage of the motion was strictly technical. Poe clarified an earlier statement that she supports the concept of modular housing, but not the proposed location.

The motion was APPROVED, 5-0-1 (AYE: Endo, Koike, Nahoopii, Smith, Gates; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Poe)

Seeing no objections Chair Gates took the agenda out of order to item 8.1

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Scott Morishige – State Coordinator on Homelessness (Coordinator's Office): Scott Morishige gave a presentation regarding the State's general approach to address homelessness. Morishige noted there are no plans for enforcement or sweeps at WBH at this time. Morishige commented that he has been the State Coordinator on Homelessness for three (3) months, but has extensive background in social work with a focus on homelessness through years of working in non-profit organizations. Morishige noted that Hawaii has the highest rate of homelessness per capita and has been increasing annually. Morishige explained the Coordinator's Office is mandated to address homelessness statewide and the plan is to meet with all affected communities and engage in dialogue with all involved organizations and individuals. Morishige noted there are no quick solutions to homelessness. Morishige noted the governor has created a leadership team consisting of the governor, the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, the Chair of the Honolulu City Council, all four (4) of Hawaii's congressional delegates, the money chairs of the Hawaii State Legislature, mayors of the other counties, and other community stakeholder groups. Morishige explained the governor's three-point framework as coordinated effort between different levels of government, reliance on accurate data, and community dialogue. Morishige noted the State's short-term goals involve building capacity and maximizing the State's existing resources as. \$20 million is annually appropriated to address homelessness. Morishige commented the Kakaako plan will be a model for the rest of Hawaii, but clarified that emphasis is on utilizing the three-point framework and not enforcement and sweeps. Morishige noted that a meeting is planned with community leaders of the WBH homeless encampment. Morishige explained a graph that was distributed to the Board regarding different levels of need of Oahu's homeless population. Morishige noted that in the WBH area approximately 10% require permanent access to services and intensive case management and 63% fit into the rapid-rehousing model which require medium to

short-term case management/services. Morishige emphasized the State's goal to transition individuals into permanent housing as quickly as possible. Morishige recognized Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and Kealahou West Oahu as the two outreach organizations on the Leeward Coast with state contracts. Morishige noted affordable housing is a primary focus for the governor. Morishige urged the community to contact the office at 586-0193 which can be found in the governor's office at the State Capitol.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- 1. Sweeps: Chair Gates thanked Morishige for clarifying sweeps of WBH are not currently planned.
- 2. <u>Data Driven</u>: Poe asked whether there is any data showing the efficacy of service providers on the Waianae Coast, what barriers are holding them back from doing better, and what the State's inventory of resources look like. Morishige answered that the legislative report from the Leeward Housing Coalition was reviewed and certain aspects have been adapted to the State strategy. Morishige added the Coordinator's Office is working closely with the Homeless Programs Office in the Department of Human Services (DHS). Morishige noted a new data system is being implemented by his office called the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and should allow for better evaluation of data. Morishige reiterated that many homeless families on the Leeward Coast are homeless due to economic factors and the State is working on increasing housing vouchers and lowering barriers for accepting homeless into shelters. Morishige noted many individuals have cited issues with producing necessary documentation and tuberculosis (TB) clearance. Morishige noted the State is discussing opening emergency shelters during the day as well as at night. Morishige commented there was abundant communication within the community with stakeholders before announcing a new family shelter in Kakaako. Poe requested the current discussion regarding homelessness continue at the Housing Committee meeting.
- 3. <u>Efficacy</u>: Poe asked about the efficacy of emergency shelter and transitional shelters. Morishige reiterated the Coordinator's Office has transitioned to HMIS which will help measure performance outcomes. Morishige noted a partnership with the Hawaii Community Foundation to evaluate the effectiveness of family shelters. Morishige emphasized focus on community input before making decisions.
- 4. Housing Committee Meeting: Koike thanked Morishige for presenting and urged attendance at the Housing Committee meeting on Thursday, December 3, 2015. Koike asked and Morishige responded there have not been recent meetings with the homeless at WBH or at the Waianae shelters, but Morishige has met with the Waianae outreach team and is in the process of scheduling meetings with providers on the Leeward Coast. Koike encouraged Morishige to stay a full day at the facilities. Morishige commented it may be difficult to partake in the Housing Committee meeting due to previously scheduled meetings, but will follow-up with the Board to request to be present at future committee meetings.
- 5. <u>Real Affordable Homes</u>: Endo asked about the possibility of implementing a rent control system or making homes that are "really affordable". Endo suggested capping profit made on property sales. Nahoopii noted agreement with Endo and highlighted the issue of homes with extremely high and unsafe occupancy.
- 6. <u>Short Term Goals</u>: Smith asked about providing water, restroom, and trash services to the WBH encampment. Morishige re-emphasized meeting with all community stakeholders before acting.
- 7. <u>Housing Committee Meeting and WBH Billing</u>: Poe asked and Morishige responded that a representative may be able to attend the Housing committee meeting. Poe noted an increase in the water bill for the harbor and asked how WBH revenue is being utilized. Morishige responded that he is also doing research and speaking with all community stakeholder to understand all factors in the area.
- 8. <u>Board Summary</u>: Chair Gates noted agreement with some kind of rent control, but explained the idea is unpopular with property owners. Chair Gates urged Morishige to visit the Waianae Coast facilities and emphasized basic services be provided for the WBH encampment. Chair Gates asked and Morishige answered that \$1.3 million was allocated statewide due to the governor's state of emergency and that \$700,000 is appropriated to Oahu. Chair Gates asked and Morishige answered there is currently no data to show the effectiveness of the office. Morishige noted 80% of families at the Kakaako encampment were transitioned into shelters. Morishige noted affordable housing is a top priority for the governor.
- 9. City Coordination: Endo commented that the State could build a structure on WBH land as it is State land.
- 10. <u>Supporting the Current Structure and a "Safe Zone"</u>: Multiple community members voiced support for the current system being implemented at the WBH encampment by Loke Lono and Twinkle Borge. Various community members voiced support for a "safe zone" designation at the WBH homeless encampment.
- 11. <u>Pu'uhonua O Waianae</u>: Resident Jan Makepa announced the creation of "Pu'uhonua O Waianae" and noted that the goal is to attain a lease for the land currently being used as a homeless encampment at the WBH and create a sustainable community.
- 12. <u>Affordable Housing</u>: A resident noted the difficulty Hawaii residents face in affording "affordable homes" when off-island buyers drive up costs. The resident also noted the current funding for homelessness is insufficient. Morishige noted that the \$1.3 million appropriated was distributed among the multiple

- programs which help to transition homeless individuals to permanent housing or other services. The resident requested reassurance that the WBH homeless encampment would receive water, sanitation, and trash pick-up services.
- 13. Waiane Boat Harbor Encampment Statistics: Loke Lono commented that statistics of the WBH homeless encampment have been kept. Lono presented a map detailing the location of residents and noted 136 camps with 244 people living in the camps. Lono commented that a survey on the number of residents is done regularly and that emphasis is put on recording age and race. Lono noted that approximately 75% of encampment residents are Hawaiian. Lono noted the safety of the encampment is centered on the safety of the children. Lono also commented that the leadership at the encampment is working with HPD, service providers, the justice system, and other organizations to help the homeless.

Smith moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 24 supports a land lease to be offered to Pu'uhonua O Waianae and that water and trash services be provided.

Discussion followed: Poe requested the issue be placed in the Housing Committee for further discussion.

The motion was APPROVED, 5-1-0 (AYE: Endo, Koike, Nahoopii, Smith, Gates; NAY: Poe; ABSTAIN: None)

Chair Gates returned the agenda to order.

## **Board Committees and Membership:**

- HABEDT:
  - Nahoopii moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 24 compel the Na'i Aupuni Aha process to be open and transparent by filming the Entire Aha as well as, any Delegate meetings and training sessions and to be aired on P.E.G. Community Media channels (Olelo Community Media) statewide, and accessible via the internet i.e. YouTube.

The motion was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, 6-0-0 (AYE: Endo, Koike, Nahoopii, Smith, Poe, Gates; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None)

 Nahoopii moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 2 adopt the committee's motion to support adopting the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36 resolution in opposition of the Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT).

Discussion followed: Cynthia Rezentes clarified that the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36 did not take a position on TMT and that the issue was recommitted to committee.

Nahoopii withdrew the original motion.

Nahoopii moved and Koike seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 2 adopt a resolution in opposition of the Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT).

Discussion followed: Nahoopii announced that the Hawaiian Affairs committees for the Kapolei, Nanakuli-Maili, and Waianae Neighborhood Boards have begun to communicate collaboratively on issues.

The motion was APPROVED, 5-0-1 (AYE: Koike, Nahoopii, Smith, Gates; NAY: Poe; ABSTAIN: Endo)

Chair Gates deferred the remainder of the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Submitted by: Relley Araceley, Neighborhood Assistant Reviewed by: Stephen Saito, Neighborhood Assistant II

Reviewed and Finalized by: Cedric Gates, Chair